

ON SOME FAMILY OF MULTIVALENT FUNCTIONS

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1. Quasi - convex Functions.

Let

$$(1) \quad F(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{p+k} z^{p+k}$$

be any function regular in $|z| < 1$, where p is a positive integer.⁽¹⁾ If we denote a family of functions of the form (1), by which $|z| < 1$ is transformed into a starshaped (with the center at the origin) or a convex region of p -valence, respectively denoted by \mathcal{O}_p or \mathcal{K}_p , then the following theorem is well known.⁽²⁾

Theorem 1.

The necessary and sufficient condition that $F(z)$ should belong to \mathcal{O}_p or \mathcal{K}_p is that

$$R[z \frac{F'(z)}{F(z)}] > 0$$

or

$$1 + R[z \frac{F'(z)}{F(z)}] - \frac{p-1}{p} R[z \frac{F'(z)}{F(z)}] > 0$$

holds respectively in $|z| < 1$.

Now we denote by \mathcal{O}_p a family of functions of the form (1) which is characterized by the following properties:

- 1° The mapped region of $|z| < 1$ by $w = F(z)$ is p -valent,
- 2° The curvature at any point on the mapped curve of $|z| = r$ by $w = F(z)$ is positive and finite, where r is an arbitrary positive number less than unity.

And we say that $F(z)$ in \mathcal{O}_p is a quasi-convex function, then we have the theorem as follows:

Theorem 2.

The necessary and sufficient condition that $F(z)$ should belong to \mathcal{O}_p is

$$1 + R[z \frac{F'(z)}{F(z)}] > 0 \quad (|z| < 1).$$

Proof. We have, by (1),

$$\left[\frac{F'(z)}{z^{p-1}} \right]_{z=0} = p \neq 0.$$

Therefore, if

$$(2) \quad R[z \frac{(zF'(z))'}{zF'(z)}] = 1 + R[z \frac{F'(z)}{F(z)}] > 0,$$

then $\frac{F'(z)}{z^{p-1}} \neq 0$ in $|z| < 1$ and

$F'(z) \neq 0$ in $0 < |z| < 1$.⁽³⁾ Denoting by ρ the curvature at any point given in z^0 , we have

$$\rho = \frac{1}{|zF'(z)|} \cdot R[1 + z \frac{F'(z)}{F(z)}] > 0.$$

The mapped curve C of $|z| = r$ by $w = F(z)$ is regular and the angle ϕ between the real axis and the tangent to the curve C at any point on C is given by $\arg iz \frac{F'(z)}{F(z)}$. Hence we have, as z describe $|z| = r$ in the positive direction,

$$\begin{aligned} \int \arg iz \frac{F'(z)}{F(z)} &= \int \arg z^p + \int \arg \frac{F'(z)}{z^{p-1}} \\ &= \int \arg z^p = 2p\pi, \end{aligned}$$

and consequently the curve C is closed and p -valent. Here r being arbitrary, the mapped region of $|z| < 1$ is p -valent.

Conversely, if $\rho > 0$, then

$$1 + R[z \frac{F'(z)}{F(z)}] > 0 \quad \text{follows directly}$$

from the equality for ρ cited above. Our theorem is thus proved.

2. Relations among \mathcal{O}_p , \mathcal{K}_p and \mathcal{O}_p .

Let $F(z)$ be any function regular and p -valent in $|z| < 1$,

and then $F(z)$ does not vanish in $0 < |z| < 1$. Therefore there exists a function $h(z)$ which is regular in $|z| < 1$ and satisfies

$$h(z) = z \sqrt[p]{\frac{F(z)}{z^p}}, \quad F(z) = [h(z)]^p,$$

$$h(0) = 0, \quad h'(0) = 1.$$

Consequently, we have

$$(3) \begin{cases} R\left[z \frac{F'(z)}{F(z)}\right] = p R\left[z \frac{h'(z)}{h(z)}\right], \\ 1 + R\left[z \frac{F''(z)}{F'(z)}\right] = 1 + R\left[z \frac{h''(z)}{h'(z)}\right] + (p-1) R\left[z \frac{h'(z)}{h(z)}\right], \\ 1 + R\left[z \frac{F'''(z)}{F''(z)}\right] - \frac{p-1}{p} R\left[z \frac{F'(z)}{F(z)}\right] = 1 + R\left[z \frac{h'''(z)}{h''(z)}\right]. \end{cases}$$

From these equalities we obtain immediately that if $F(z) \in \mathcal{S}_p$, then $h(z) \in \mathcal{S}_1$ and if $F(z) \in \mathcal{S}_p$, then $h(z) \in \mathcal{S}_1$. Hence if $F(z) \in \mathcal{S}_p$, then $h(z) \in \mathcal{S}_1$ and, by the theorem due to E. Strohacker⁽⁴⁾, we have

$$R\left[z \frac{h'(z)}{h(z)}\right] > \frac{1}{2}$$

and, by (3),

$$1 + R\left[z \frac{F''(z)}{F'(z)}\right] > \frac{1}{2}(p-1) \geq 0, \\ R\left[z \frac{F'(z)}{F(z)}\right] > \frac{p}{2}.$$

These inequalities conclude that if $F(z) \in \mathcal{S}_p$, then $F(z)$ belongs both to \mathcal{O}_p and \mathcal{S}_p . Next we investigate the relation between \mathcal{O}_p and \mathcal{S}_p . If $F(z) \in \mathcal{O}_p$ and ϑ is the angle defined in § 1, then

$$\frac{d\vartheta}{d\theta} = \frac{d}{d\theta} \arg z F'(z) = 1 + R\left[z \frac{F''(z)}{F'(z)}\right] > 0.$$

Therefore the tangent to the mapped curve of $|z| = r$ by $w = F(z)$ rotates so as to increase the angle ϑ , as z moves in the positive sense on $|z| = r$. And, as the curvature ρ at the point $F(z)$ is positive, the radius vector $F(z)$ from the origin rotates in the positive sense. Consequently we have

$$R\left[z \frac{F'(z)}{F(z)}\right] = \frac{d}{d\theta} \arg F(z) > 0.$$

Thus, we get the result that if $F(z) \in \mathcal{O}_p$, then $F(z) \in \mathcal{S}_p$.

From the above arguments, we have the following theorem:

Theorem 3.

$$\mathcal{R}_p \subset \mathcal{O}_p \subset \mathcal{S}_p.$$

N. B. In the case of $p=1$, this theorem is reduced to the fact,

$$\mathcal{R}_1 \equiv \mathcal{O}_1 \subset \mathcal{S}_1$$

by (3).

Finally, from the equality (2) in § 1, we have

Theorem 4.

If $F(z) \in \mathcal{O}_p$, then $\frac{1}{p} z F'(z) \in \mathcal{S}_p$, and if $F(z) \in \mathcal{S}_p$, then

$$p \int_0^z \frac{F(z)}{z^2} dz \in \mathcal{O}_p.$$

3. Distortion theorem and coefficient problem for \mathcal{O}_p .

Let $F(z)$ belong to \mathcal{O}_p , then, by the Theorem 4, $\frac{1}{p} z F'(z) \in \mathcal{S}_p$ and therefore

$$\frac{|z|^p}{(1+|z|)^{2p}} \leq \frac{1}{p} |z F'(z)| \leq \frac{|z|^p}{(1-|z|)^{2p}}.$$

From these inequalities, we have, by the similar method as in the case $p=1$, the following Distortion Theorem;

Theorem 5.

Let $F(z)$ belong to \mathcal{O}_p , then

$$\frac{p |z|^{p-1}}{(1+|z|)^{2p}} \leq |F'(z)| \leq \frac{p |z|^{p-1}}{(1-|z|)^{2p}},$$

$$p \int_0^{|z|} \frac{z^{p-1}}{(1+z)^{2p}} dz \leq |F(z)| \leq p \int_0^{|z|} \frac{z^{p-1}}{(1-z)^{2p}} dz$$

And the equality sign holds for the function of \mathcal{O}_p defined by

$$F(z) = p \int_0^z \frac{z^{p-1}}{(1-z)^{2p}} dz.$$

Next, if $F(z) \in \mathcal{S}_p$, then

$$|a_{p+k}| \leq \frac{2p(2p+1) \cdots (2p+k-1)}{k!}, \quad k=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

and the equality holds for the function $\tilde{F}(z) = \frac{z^p}{(1-z)^{2p}}$ (5). Hence we have, for any function $F(z) \in \mathcal{O}_p$

$$\frac{1}{p} z \tilde{F}(z) \ll \frac{z^p}{(1-z)^{2p}}.$$

From this relation, we have immediately the theorem as follows:

Theorem 6.

If $\tilde{F}(z) = z^p + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{p+k} z^{p+k} \in \mathcal{O}_p$, then

$$|a_{p+k}| \leq \frac{2^p (2p+1) \cdots (2p+k-1)}{k! (p+k)}, \quad k=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

The equality sign holds only for the function

$$\tilde{F}(z) = p \int_0^z \frac{z^{p-1}}{(1-z)^{2p}} dz.$$

4. The Radius of quasi-convexity for γ_p .

Let $\tilde{F}(z)$ belong to γ_p , then we have

$$R\left[z \frac{\tilde{F}(z)}{\tilde{F}(z)}\right] > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \left[z \frac{\tilde{F}(z)}{\tilde{F}(z)}\right]_{z=0} = p.$$

Hence

$$p \frac{1-r}{1+r} \leq R\left[z \frac{\tilde{F}(z)}{\tilde{F}(z)}\right] \leq p \frac{1+r}{1-r}, \quad (|z| \leq r)$$

and, by the well known theorem of G. Julia, we have the following inequality:

$$\left| z \frac{\tilde{F}'(z)}{\tilde{F}(z)} - z \frac{\tilde{F}(z)}{\tilde{F}(z)} + 1 \right| \leq z \frac{|z| R\left[z \frac{\tilde{F}(z)}{\tilde{F}(z)}\right]}{(1-|z|^2) \left| z \frac{\tilde{F}(z)}{\tilde{F}(z)} \right|}.$$

Combining these inequalities with each other, we have, in $|z| \leq r$.

$$1 + R\left[z \frac{\tilde{F}'(z)}{\tilde{F}(z)}\right] \geq \frac{pr^2 - 2(p+1)r + p}{1-r^2} > 0, \\ \left(r < \sigma_p = \frac{p+1-\sqrt{2p+1}}{p} \right)$$

and, in the case of the function $\tilde{F}(z) = \frac{z^p}{(1-z)^{2p}} \in \gamma_p$, we have, at

$$z = -\sigma_p,$$

$$1 + R\left[z \frac{\tilde{F}'(z)}{\tilde{F}(z)}\right] = 0.$$

Hence we have the following:

Theorem 7.

If $F(z) \in \delta_p$ then we have, in $|z| < \sigma_p$, $\tilde{F}(z) \in \mathcal{O}_p$, where the number σ_p cannot be replaced by any greater one.

5. The Radius of quasi-convexity for the bounded functions.

Let $\tilde{F}(z)$ be bounded, i.e. $|\tilde{F}(z)| < M$, then we have

$$(4) \quad M r^p \frac{1-Mr}{M-r} \leq |\tilde{F}(z)| \leq M r^p \frac{1+Mr}{M+r}, \quad (|z| \leq r)$$

If we put $\varphi(z) = \tilde{F}(z)/z^p$, then we have $|\varphi(z)| \leq M$, $\varphi(0) = 1$. Hence

$$|\varphi'(z)| \leq \frac{M^2 - |\varphi(z)|^2}{M(1-r^2)},$$

or

$$(5) \quad \left| \frac{\tilde{F}(z)}{z^p} - p \frac{\tilde{F}(z)}{z^{p+1}} \right| \leq \frac{M^2 r^{2p} - |\tilde{F}(z)|^2}{M r^{2p} (1-r^2)}, \quad (|z| \leq r).$$

From this fundamental inequality and (4), we have, in $|z| \leq r$, the following inequalities:

$$(6) \quad \left| \frac{\lambda(z)}{z \tilde{F}(z)} \right| \geq R\left[\frac{\lambda(z)}{z \tilde{F}(z)} \right] \geq M \frac{1-2Mr+r^2}{p(r)},$$

$$(7) \quad \frac{|\lambda(z)|}{M r^{p-1} + |\tilde{F}(z)|} \geq \frac{r(1-2Mr+r^2)}{(1-r^2)(M-r)},$$

$$(8) \quad \frac{\nu(z)}{M(1-r^2)r^{p-2}|\tilde{F}'(z)|} \leq \frac{Mr(M-2r+Mr^2)}{(1-r^2)P(r)}$$

where $\lambda(z) = z \tilde{F}'(z) - (p+1)\tilde{F}(z)$, $\nu(z) = M^2 r^{2(p-1)} - |\tilde{F}(z)|^2$ and $P(r) = PM - \{(p+1)M^2 + (p-1)\}r + pMr^2$.

The equality sign in (4) - (8) holds at $z = r$ for the function

$$(9) \quad \tilde{F}(z) = M z^p \frac{1-Mz}{M-z}.$$

H. Loomis generalized the theorem of J. Dieudonné for the starshapedness of the bounded functions for γ_1 to the case of γ_p (6). Now we generalize the theorem for the convexity of the bounded functions for $\mathcal{O}_p = \delta_p$, to the case of \mathcal{O}_p (6).

Putting

$$\phi(z) = M^2 \frac{z^{p-1} \tilde{F}(w) - w^{p-1} \tilde{F}(z)}{M^2 z^{p-1} w^{p-1} - \overline{\tilde{F}(z)} \tilde{F}(w)},$$

$$(w = \frac{-z+z}{1-\bar{z}z}, \quad |z| < 1)$$

we have, in $|z| < 1$,

$$|\phi(z)| < M, \quad \phi(0) = 0,$$

and, by the theorem of the bounded functions,

$$M - \frac{|\phi'(0)|^2}{M} \geq \frac{1}{2} |\phi''(0)|.$$

This is reduced to

$$\begin{aligned} (10) \quad R\left[z \frac{F'(z)}{F(z)}\right] &\geq (p-1)(p-2) R\left[z \frac{F'(z)}{F(z)}\right] \\ &+ \frac{2|z|^2}{1-|z|^2} R\left[\frac{\lambda(z)}{z F'(z)}\right] + 2M \frac{|\lambda(z)|^2 |z|^{p-2}}{\nu(z) |F'(z)|} \\ &+ 2R\left[\frac{(p-1)M^2 |z|^{2(p-1)} - z \overline{F(z)} F'(z) \cdot \frac{\lambda(z)}{z F'(z)}}{\nu(z)}\right] \\ &- 2 \frac{\nu(z)}{M(1-|z|^2)^2 |z|^{p-2} |F'(z)|}. \end{aligned}$$

Since the third term of the right hand is not less than $2(p-1)R\left[\frac{\lambda(z)}{z F'(z)}\right]$,
 $-2 \left| \frac{\overline{F(z)} \lambda(z)}{\nu(z)} \right| \left| \frac{\lambda(z)}{z F'(z)} \right|$ and $(p-1) \frac{F(z)}{z F'(z)} = 1 - \frac{\lambda(z)}{z F'(z)}$,

we have, from (10),

$$\begin{aligned} (11) \quad R\left[z \frac{F'(z)}{F(z)}\right] &\geq p-2 + \left[\frac{2|z|^2}{1-|z|^2} + p \right] R\left[\frac{\lambda(z)}{z F'(z)}\right] \\ &+ 2 \left| \frac{\lambda(z)}{z F'(z)} \right| \frac{|\lambda(z)|}{M |F'(z)|} \\ &- 2 \frac{\nu(z)}{M(1-|z|^2)^2 |z|^{p-2} |F'(z)|}. \end{aligned}$$

Putting (4) - (8) into (11), we obtain

$$(12) \quad 1 + R\left[2 \frac{F'(z)}{F'(z)}\right] \geq \frac{R(r)}{R(r)(M-r)}$$

$$(|z| \leq r),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where } R(r) &= M^2 p^2 - M \{ (p+1)^2 M^2 + 2p^2 - 2p - 1 \} r \\ &+ \{ 2p^2 + 2p - 1 \} M^2 + (p-1)^2 r^2 - M p^2 r^3. \end{aligned}$$

The equality sign in (12) holds at $z=r$ for the function defined by (9). It is easily proved that the equation $R(r)=0$ has only one positive root ρ_p less than unity and, $R(r)$ and $P(r)$ are positive for $0 \leq r \leq \rho_p$. Therefore we can establish the following theorem:

Theorem 8.

Let $F(z)$ be any function regular and bounded ($|F(z)| < M$) in $|z| < 1$, then $F(z)$ belongs to \mathcal{O}_{ρ_p} in $|z| < \rho_p$, where ρ_p is the positive root of the equation $R(r)=0$. And ρ_p cannot be replaced by any greater number.

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